



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of : J. Bratten
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For : FILTER APPARATUS
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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 1992, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please rewrite claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A filter apparatus for filtering solids from a
liquid comprising:

a tank [adapted] constructed and arranged to receive liquid
to be filtered, said tank including a bottom and a rear endwall;

a perforate section formed in said tank bottom, a collection
chamber disposed beneath said perforate [layer] section, and
means for drawing liquid through said perforate section into said
collection chamber;

a continuous loop of a porous permanent filter media belt,
including a segment extending down said rear wall and passing
along said tank bottom over said perforate section to an exit
point at the end of said tank opposite said rear wall;